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USDRIP / Riverway Stakeholder Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 15, 2009

1. Attendees:

Robin Rierdan, Frank Hilliker, Harold Hilliker, Steve Halfaker, Carl Stiehl, Matt Schneider, Ed Duling, Rick Smith, Kevin Hale, Maryanne Vancio, George Tockstein, Mark Baker, Pete Liebig and Diana Perez.

2. Updates:

- Lakeside River Park Trails – Robin informed us that with the current budget issues the state has frozen any funding in association with bonds, therefore the proposed new trail from the new ballfields under Riverford Road to the existing portions of the trail is now not active without funding. Basically the \$800,000 has been pulled by the state. The Lakeside River Park Conservancy has sent out an urgent plea for help from their members and volunteers. It is a tough situation. However, even though things are difficult, they are not going away as an organization. They may have to cut staff, but they'll pull through.
- Lakeside Fire Station Progress – Fire station site selection process is moving forward. The current site selected is the north corner of the Lakeside Ave. and Channel Road intersection. They are also in the final stages of the initial development agreement funding once they have addressed the recent comments on the draft project cost estimate with DPLU.
- New 5-year Implementation Plan – DPLU will begin working on the new 5 year implementation plan soon. It will need to be ready before the end of the fiscal year at the end of June. Once we have a draft 5-year plan in the next month or two the planning group and stakeholders will be asked to comment. It is a good chance to include any new goals that we should be thinking about implementing in the near future. Ed Duling mentioned that we should try to line it up with the Lakeside Community Plan.
- Active Site Plans
 - Silver Sage Affordable Housing – is down to a few small stormwater issues, almost complete.
 - Witherow Roofing – is down to a few traffic issues, landscaping comments and Caltrans comments.
 - Driven Auto Sales – has been resolved with Caltrans and will be approved shortly.

- Riverway Signs – The stakeholders were asked if Caltrans style signs would be ok to pursue at this time to see if they could be installed at the specific plan sign locations located in Caltrans right-of-way. As previously discussed, the monument style signs will not be allowed in these locations at this time. The stakeholders were interested in these Caltrans style RiverWay signs. DPLU staff will contact Caltrans and discuss options and see if graphical representations can be obtained.
- Keyser Marston Contract – The contract is out of the hands of DPLU and Keyser Marston and is now downtown with County Purchasing and Contracting. Once the funding and final details have been put in place the contract will be executed and KM will begin work. They have already started some preliminary work per our previous meeting with them. KM will also be helping with the new trail studies and may help with the problem areas of the trail lacking funding at this point to begin the necessary steps towards trail development, such as the previously discussed trail alignment study.
- New Ballfields Open Saturday January 24 and the new Lakeside Farmers Market over at the community center starts this afternoon (January 15).

3. Other

4. Next Meeting – Thursday, February 19